

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ningning Xu on May 14, 2008.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, at line 1, after "computer", insert – storage --.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended) One or more computer storage readable media having stored thereon a plurality of instructions that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to access a configuration file and create a plurality of handler components including at least a first and a second handler components based on a first and a second configuration handler define in the configuration file associated with an application, the first configuration handler and mapping the second configuration handler in a configuration section nested within the first configuration handler, wherein the second configuration handler is user-defined to handle a customized handler data that is not supported by the first configuration handler, ~~and~~ wherein the second handler component created by the second configuration handler implements a known interface such that the data defined by the second configuration handler is

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properly processed by the application without alteration to the application, and notify one or more of the plurality of handler components of the presence of the other handler components.

Claim 13 (Cancelled).

Claim 14 (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

receiving a request to create a plurality of components from a configuration file associated with an application;

obtaining, from the configuration file, definitions for each of the plurality of handler components;

identifying, from the configuration file, a configuration handler to be used to create one component of the plurality of components based on one of the definitions;

while creating the one handler component, identifying, from the configuration handler, a child configuration handler to be used to create another handler component to be used by the one component, wherein the child configuration handler is nested within the configuration handler, wherein the child configuration handler is user-defined to handle a customized handler data that is not supported by the configuration handler, and wherein the other handler component created by the child configuration handler implements a known interface such that the data defined by the child configuration handler is properly processed by the application without alteration to the application; ~~and~~

notifying one or more of the plurality of handler components of the presence of the other handler component; and

making the plurality of handler components available to the application.

Claim 15 (Cancelled)

In claim 21, at line 2, before “an application”, insert – a processor; --.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DIEM K. CAO whose telephone number is (571)272-3760. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:30AM - 3:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Meng-Ai An can be reached on (571) 272-3756. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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